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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	10/608,728	SIMARD, GHISLAIN
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>
	Christopher M. Koehler	3726

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#### Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 June 2003.
- 2a) This action is FINAL.                    2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

#### Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) 2,4,6, and 8-10 is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) 1,3,5 and 7 is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 27 June 2003 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All    b) Some \* c) None of:
  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

#### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)                     |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)   | Paper No(s)/Mail Date: _____  |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>6/27/2003</u> . | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
|  | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                    |

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Information Disclosure Statement***

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 6/27/2003 has been considered.

### ***Specification***

2. The specification is objected to because of the following informalities: On page 3, line 3 of the specification the applicant lists prior art as US Patent No. 5,084,409. The examiner has assumed that the applicant intended to cite US Patent No. 5,048,409 which is found in the Information Disclosure Statement. Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Claim Objections***

3. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities: Applicant states "...during the movement of the gantry over the work table surface when crossing the space between work table surfaces." Examiner suggests amending to say --...during the movement of the gantry over the work table surface *and* when crossing the space between work table surfaces.-- Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

4. Claims 1, 3, 5, and 7 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection(s) of claim 1 set forth in this Office action.

5. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Claims 1-10 are allowable because although the teachings of prior art indicate that it is known to use a roller gantry press to attach the fastening plates to a truss on a table, the prior art does not explicitly teach or suggest using a roller gantry press with a continuous belt drive that engages the work table and provides support to traverse the space between work table surfaces, as claimed.

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher M. Koehler whose telephone number is (571)272-3560. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. 7:30A-4:00P.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Bryant can be reached on (571)272-4526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David P. Bryant".

**David P. Bryant**  
**Primary Examiner**